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Amendment to the Specification

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Please replace paragraph at page 10, lines 1-15 with the following amended paragraph:

about 0.01 and about 15 mg/kg body weight, still more preferably between about 0.05 and about 10 mg/kg body weight, and most preferably between about 0.01 to 5 mg/kg body weight, may be appropriate. The amount of asldosterone antagonist that is administered to a human subject typically will range from about 0.1 to about 2000 mg. In one embodiment of the present invention, the dosage range is from about 0.5 to about 500 mg. In another embodiment of the present invention, the dosage range is from about 0.75 to about 250 mg. In a further embodiment of the present invention, the dosage range is from about 1 to about 100 mg. In another embodiment of the present invention, the dosage range is from about 25 to about 100 mg. In another embodiment of the present invention, the dosage range is from about 25 to about 75 mg. In another embodiment of the present invention, the dosage range is from about 25 to about 75 mg. In another embodiment of the present invention, the dosage range is from about 0.5 to about 10 mg. A daily dose of aldosterone blocker that produces no substantial diuretic and/or anti-hypertensive effect in a subject is specifically embraced by the present method. The daily dose can be administered in one to four doses per day.